

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-27

DEMONSTRATING SUPPORT OF THE RESULTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS
OF THE CITY OF CLEVELAND'S BIKE SHARE FEASIBILITY STUDY AND
IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

WHEREAS, the City of Cleveland contracted Toole Design Group, LLC to conduct a Bike Share Feasibility Study and Implementation Plan ("Studies"); and

WHEREAS, the Studies were complete in November 2013; and

WHEREAS, GCRTA provides public transportation in the City and is supportive of a multi-modal network of transportation options; and

WHEREAS, out of mutual benefit in the implementation of the Studies' recommendations, GCRTA desires to demonstrate its support; and

WHEREAS, GCRTA provided funding in the amount of six thousand twenty-two dollars (\$6,022.00) towards the Fifty-Six Thousand Twenty-Two Dollars (\$56,022.00) total cost of the Studies through an Interagency Agreement approved by the GCRTA Board of Trustees on February 19, 2013; and

WHEREAS, a bike sharing system could act as an extension of the existing public transportation system, providing passengers with additional options for the first and last miles of their trips.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority, Cuyahoga County, Ohio:

Section 1. That the General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer of the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority be and is hereby authorized to demonstrate the Authority's support of the results and recommendations of the Studies.

Section 2. That this resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

Adopted: March 18, 2014



President

Attested: 

CEO, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer



Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority
STAFF SUMMARY AND COMMENTS

TITLE/DESCRIPTION: CONTRACT: SUPPORT OF THE RESULTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CITY OF CLEVELAND'S BIKE SHARE FEASIBILITY STUDY AND IMPLEMENTATION PLAN VENDOR: CITY OF CLEVELAND AMOUNT: N/A	Resolution No.: 2014-27
	Date: March 14, 2014
	Initiator: Programming and Planning
ACTION REQUEST: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approval <input type="checkbox"/> Review/Comment <input type="checkbox"/> Information Only <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	

- 1.0 PURPOSE/SCOPE: This action will demonstrate the Authority's support of the results of the City of Cleveland's Bike Share Feasibility Study and Implementation Plan ("Studies").
- 2.0 DESCRIPTION/JUSTIFICATION: The City of Cleveland hired a consultant to complete a feasibility study and implementation plan for a network of shared bicycles in and around City streets. GCRTA is supportive of a multi-modal transportation network that builds a coalition of support for alternate forms of transportation. Through an interagency agreement authorized by the Board on February 19, 2013, GCRTA provided \$6,022 towards the funding of the Studies.

Bike sharing systems are being implemented in cities of all sizes throughout the country and provide an additional transportation option for their residents and visitors. A bike share network acts as an extension of the public transportation system by providing passengers with an additional mode to travel the first or last mile of their trip.

Evidence of the growing popularity of bicycling in the greater Cleveland area is clear. The most recent American Community Survey indicated an increase of 280% from 2000 to 2010 of people commuting to work by bicycle. GCRTA has seen a fourteen percent (14%) increase in bicycles on buses and trains from 2011 to 2012. Numerous bicycle-related businesses and services have opened in the City of Cleveland, including a commuter bike parking station, The Bike Rack. In September 2012, cyclists and civic leaders created Bike Cleveland, a unified bicycle advocacy organization serving greater Cleveland. The City of Cleveland has recently adopted two pieces of legislation that will increase safety for the growing number of cyclists.

The results of the Studies indicated that bike share is feasible in the City of Cleveland. A phased implementation resulting in a network of approximately 1,100 bikes at 110 stations throughout the city is recommended. Downtown and/or University Circle could be implemented first, with surrounding neighborhoods to follow in later phases.

- 3.0 PROCUREMENT BACKGROUND: N/A
- 4.0 DBE/AFFIRMATIVE ACTION BACKGROUND: N/A

- 5.0 POLICY IMPACT: Showing support of the Studies facilitates GCRTA's interest in promoting a network of multi-modal transportation options that complement the existing public transportation system.
- 6.0 ECONOMIC IMPACT: None.
- 7.0 ALTERNATIVES: The Authority does not officially support the Studies and reduces its ability to contribute to the planning of the bike share network and could hamper the City's future efforts in this area.
- 8.0 RECOMMENDATION: This demonstration of support was reviewed by the Planning and Development Committee at their March 4, 2014 meeting and recommended for approval by the Board of Trustees. It is recommended that the resolution be passed.
- 9.0 ATTACHMENTS: Attachment A - Form of the agreement is attached.

Recommended and certified as appropriate to the availability of funds, legal form and conformance with the Procurement requirements.



CEO, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BY AND BETWEEN
THE CITY OF CLEVELAND, OFFICE OF SUSTAINABILITY
AND
THE GREATER CLEVELAND REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY
FOR THE
BIKESHARE FEASIBILITY STUDY AND IMPLEMENTATION PLAN**

THIS NONBINDING MEMORANDUM is made as of this 28th day of February 2013 by and between the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority, a regional transit authority organized and existing as a political subdivision of the State of Ohio ("RTA") and the City of Cleveland, a municipal corporation of the State of Ohio (the "City).

WHEREAS, the City's Office of Sustainability desires to fund a study and implementation plan (the "Studies") for the expanded use of bicycles in and around City streets; and

WHEREAS, Consultant Toole Development Group, LLC has proposed to undertake the desired studies at a cost of \$56,022; and

WHEREAS, out of mutual benefit in participating in the results of the Studies, RTA desires to share in the cost of the Consultant's fee.

THEREFORE, the parties agree as follows:

ARTICLE 1. RTA RESPONSIBILITIES

2.1 RTA shall contribute an amount to the City to fund the cost of the Studies, with the cost of such contribution not to exceed Six Thousand Twenty-Two Dollars & 00/100 Cents (\$6,022.00).

ARTICLE 2. TERM

2.1. The term of this Memorandum begins on the date of execution, and will continue for a period not to exceed one (1) year, unless sooner terminated or superseded by mutual agreement of the Parties.

ARTICLE 3. NONBINDING AGREEMENT

3.1 The Parties recognize the terms stated in this instrument serve as a framework and are not legally binding with respect to the proposed transaction, and no commitment, estoppel, undertaking, or obligation of any nature is implied in fact, law, or equity from this Memorandum.

ARTICLE 4. MISCELLANEOUS

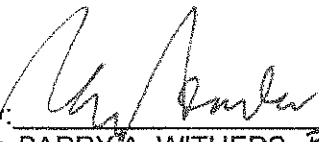
4.1 This Memorandum may be executed in counterparts, each of which will be deemed an original. This Memorandum sets forth the current understanding of the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof.

4.2 This Memorandum may only be amended or supplemented by a written document signed by authorized representatives of both Parties. No representation or warranty is binding on either Party unless in writing in this Memorandum.

4.3 This Memorandum does not create any agency, partnership, co-partnership or joint venture relationship between the Parties. Nothing contained or implied in this Memorandum is intended to confer upon any person or entity, other than the named parties, any right or remedy under or by reason of this Memorandum.

The parties have executed this Agreement as of the date first written above.

CITY OF CLEVELAND

By: 
~~BARRY A. WITHERS~~ Paul L. Bender
DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

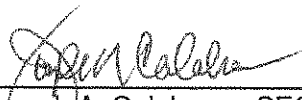
The legal form and correctness of this instrument is approved:

Barbara Langhenry, Director of Law
City of Cleveland


By: 
Assistant Director of Law

Date: 3/19/13

GREATER CLEVELAND
REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY

By: 
Joseph A. Calabrese, CEO
General Manager/Secretary-
Treasurer

Approved as to legal form and ~~##~~
correctness


Sheryl King Benford, General Counsel
Deputy General Manager for Legal
Affairs, Greater Cleveland Regional
Transit Authority

Date: 2/28/13